



Appl. No. 10/617,841  
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Reply to Office Action of January 6, 2005

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**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re: Application of: Rafael STORZ et al.  
Serial No.: 10/617,841 Confirmation No.: 7983  
Filed: July 11, 2003  
For: METHOD FOR SCANNING MICROSCOPY, AND  
SCANNING MICROSCOPE  
Art Unit: 2872  
Examiner: Thong Q. Nguyen  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the office action dated January 6, 2005 received in the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully request reconsideration of the application based on the following amendments and remarks.